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<u>**Amendments to the Specification:**</u>

Please <u>replace</u> the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 1 with the following rewritten paragraph:

One attempt to overcome the first of the foregoing difficulties in the particular environment of an Internet terminal is the use of smart cards to store the personal identification data. An example of such a solution is described in US Patent No. 5,983,273. The above patent describes a system in which a smart card containing a unique <u>identifier</u> ~~network address~~ is inserted in a set top box. Information on the smart card<u>, and/or in a data set corresponding to the identifier,</u> is transmitted to an Internet server and in response the server downloads to the set top box information particular to the user to configure the set top box. The interaction between the card, terminal (set top box) and server may provide for authentication. The information delivered by the server includes filtering information for viewing web sites, access privilege data in the form of a ticket, and favorites lists. The ticket is used to invoke permissions at web sites and provide for at least one customized response. The specification describes sending the user's email, favorite links, titles in a URL, and thumbnails in response to the ticket.